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SUBJECT: FM ABOUL GHEIT ON MUBARAK VISIT, MB, STRATEGIC
DIALOGUE

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- [1](#)B. CAIRO 1467 C. CAIRO 1059 D. CAIRO 814 Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).
- [1](#)1. (C) Key Points: -- FM Aboul Gheit said Egypt's main goal for the upcoming Washington visit was to build "rapport" between the two president
- [1](#)2. (C) Egyptian FM Aboul Gheit told Ambassador August 3 that President Mubarak's goal is to build "rapport" with President Obama during his up
- [1](#)3. (C) Aboul Gheit lamented what he characterized as a recent history of "endless lectures and public quarrels," claiming it stemmed from a le
- [1](#)4. (C) Ambassador acknowledged Egypt's many challenges, but said human rights would remain a critical component of the U.S.-Egypt dialogue, ar
- [1](#)5. (C) Ambassador noted that the U.S. and Egypt agreed during Strategic Dialogue discussions in June to hold experts-level follow up consultat
- [1](#)6. (C) Aboul Gheit's well-worn rhetoric and less than subtle invocation of the MB's "challenge" to Egypt's stability reflects recent harsh put